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Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed PTO-1449 form. A copy of the German patent document is also enclosed.

German patent document number 28 41 565 A1 is discussed on page 2 of the subject specification. Applicant will submit a translation of this document should the Examiner so require.

U.S. Patent No. 4,101,631, No. 4,892,567 and No. 5,460,643 are also discussed on page 2 of the subject specification.


U.S. Patent No. 5,659,110 is discussed on pages 2 and 3 of the subject specification.

Applicant requests that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed PTO-1449 form be initialed and returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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